Their Pranks, Intelligence and Sociability.

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for the use of the town kitchens. In that trop- about it.

and nuts of various kinds. cessful, and also so difficult to recapture, that | from the fate I feared for the others.

back into the mountains. But next to the kitchen there was an open | make me one. According to an expected result room in which were stowed many things not in daily use; and one day, after the squirrel had been thought to be gone for some time, a glimpse was caught of it in that room. Later it was seen from time to time, and as it seemed contented to make its home there, and a cage had not been finished, it was left to itself, with no further efforts for its imprisonment.

In a little back yard-or patio, as it is called in Spanish countries-there was a collection of other presents made by the mountaineers, including a "cave" (pronounced in two syllables) or little wild pig, and several qualls of the country, smaller than our own, but otherwise quite like them. From time to time a quail would disappear, but leave behind it a trace of feathers on the patio floor. The pig was accased of this slaughter, and as he was incapable of denying it, and was intended to be eaten, as one of the game luxuries of the country, he was duly brought upon the table one day as a delicate and well-flavored roast, But strange to relate, the quails still disap-

peared, one after another, until very few were left. Then a watch was kent and finally the squirrel was caught in the act of capturing a quail. There could be no doubt now that all which were missing had been killed and eaten by the pet squirrel. But it was the first time I had suspected an animal of the kind to be an enter of fowl. As only two qualls were left, they were secured for the table to which the falsely-accused little wild pig had been brought, broiled and extended upon toast, and the squirrel still went free, but was seldom seen for days together. This shyness in a lively animal which seemingly chose to make its home in the house, was a subject of much curiosity to the other and larger inhabitants,

But this mystery as well as that of the regufar disappearance of the quark was not long without a natural explanation. One day an old yacht cushion stuffed with fine shavings of cork was wanted, in order that the shavings might be used to make a thin, cool mattress. It lay doubled together upon a box, and upon being opened a nice little nest was found, out of which the squirrel escaped, but left asteep, rolled up like tittle bails of tawny silk, two pretty young squirrels, one of which was halfgrown and the other much smaller, and having a head much too large for its puny body. This discovery was a very pleasant one to everyone but the mother, who had kept the secret of her nest so closely and well until now, and who showed much disturbance, running back and forth as if equally afraid of being caught berself and of having her little family broken up. As the old and rather heavy cushion had

been roughly opened, without any thought of its being the snug home of an interesting little family, the hidden nest had been rather violently disarranged. To make all couvenient amends for the disturbance, the torn nest and its sleepy contents, with a generous supply of the cork shavings, were placed inside the box upon which the cushion lay, which was | so covered as to leave it convenient for mother squirrel, and at the same time quite secluded. This was about all the apology or amends a man could make under the circumstances, and it was hoped it might be sufficient.

But it seems squirrels do not reason as men do. In the rear wall of the patio, which was at least 25 feet high, and built against the side of the mountain, which seems almost to crowd the little old Spanish city into the edge of the sea, leaving room in some places for only one narrow street, there was a place a few feet below the top where a stone had been left outer in some way removed, and in this little niche, under which was the kitchen roof, a seed had sometime fallen, blown by the wind or dropped by a bird. and produced a shrab which had become a singular and agreeable ornament of green against the white of the parapet. By a squirre! this shaded niche could be reached only through an upper room of the house, by its back window, and along the kitchen roof, from which an upward leap of at least five feet must be finally made. Mother squirrel in ways best known to herself took note of all the facts, and it was shown what she thought about them later, when it was found that she and her little family were snugly at home in that airy and shaded miche in the wall.

When I discovered the location of the new nest I was almost ashamed to look Mrs. Squirrel in the face; her selection of a home, without any reliance upon my ludgment as to its fitness, seeming to imply distrust of my ability to come to right conclusions upon the matter, and to say as plainly as if put in so many words: "There, now, see how much better that place is, with its light and shade, its seclusion and yet its outlook over this part of the city and the sea, than a corner in a musty old box in your lumber room, with you stumbling about and searing my children! Come up and see us sometime!" I could fancy there was a twinkle | in Mrs. Squirrel's eves. I didn't go up at once. After all, the lords of creation can't fix everything to best advantage, perhaps.

at on the "perhaps" after about one day. In that time I had seen something new attached in a certain way to the back wall, on the top, and directly above the bush which shaded my squirrel's now home. This thing, new at least to that particular spot, I did not like the looks of it at all - in fact, it rather frightened me. Yet | it reclined there contentedly and in perfect outward quiet, as though it formed one of the natural parts of the scene, and so was, as one snight say, at home. But under all that stretched-out quiet, seemingly enjoying a de-Reious golden dream in the tropical sunlight, I knew craftiness and tearing claws were surely hidden. The motionless offigy upon the wall recalled suddenly the words so often ejaculated by my careful mother, and not with her wanted gentle affection, nor with perceptible reference to any previous conversation in the family: "There! that cat!" And such it surely was-"that cat," this time being of the usual South American species, thin, tawny and striped and treacherous as tigers; now apparently docile and affectionate, rubbing against you and surring, like the usual cats educated under the Stars and Stripes; and then again, suddenly and without warning, drawing back the lips, showing sharp, white separate teeth, and giving you a swift blow with unsheathed claws that leave streaks of blood upon your caressing hand, and in your mind a surprised sense of confidence ruthlessly betrayed. To see one of these half-domesticated tigers near that snug, Biry nest in the wall, was enough to fill me with apprehension of a catastrophe.

Whether the squirrel had foreseen such a danger to herself and family is surely more than I can tell; but she may have seen, as well as I, that there were, after all, some favorable elements in the situation. The only way she could, herself, reach her nest was by an upward leap from the kitchen roof, as I have said; but at the end of this leap there was but one visible landing-place, more secure for a bird or a squirrel than for anything heavier, and that was the little bush growing out of and shading

about 20 feet to the stone pavement of the patio. | tion of attention. The bush would easily support the weight of __ Just after supper was when he was happiest.

FEW years ago, while | might make, and that was the escape of those | me, alight with a flying leap upon my shoulder the writer was in the young ones when they became large enough to | if I was in the chair, or climb me as though I service of the United | leap down to the roof for a play. Clearly it | was a tree if I was standing. Then he would States at the port of would not do to leave them to grow up in such | run all over me, nip my ears and cheeks with-La Guayra, in the re- a perilous situation as the frequent visits of the out ever hurting me, and testify his gladness public of Venezuela, a | cat made this one. So after rearranging a nest | in a hundred ways that were pretty and cunpresent was made to | in the lumber room, and procuring with much | ning. When I was scated he would roll and play him of a red squirrel, | trouble a ladder, I removed the young squirrels | upon my knees, jump up bodily into the air, by a man who lived up and closed the blinds to the window of the mouth my fingers, evade my attempts to catch in the mountains back | upper room so as to prevent, as far as possible, of the town, and came a return to the kitchen roof and the little enal on each of his half dozen dowkeys, to see what Madam Squirrel was going to do his legs extended sidewise, and permit me to untion, in another form, of the duress and imprisdown every week to bring a load of char- shaded nest in the patio wall. Then I watched he could make himself upon my knee, with

ical country only charcoal fires are used, in | Well, she meant to have her own way I soon little ranges or in braziers of iron, either of found out. As my watch was necessarily a shut eyes. When at last he grew tired and which holds but a few handfuls of coal, and | broken one, upon returning to it after a brief absence I saw the mother with the smallest of The squirrel was accepted as an evidence of her family in her mouth, carrying it as a cat in my trousers, pull it open with his hand-like good will, and without much consideration of | does her kitten, on her way to the open stairs, where it was to stay until a suitable cage or out by a front balcony of the upper room, and house could be made for it. As there happened | so by one roof adjoining another of the four, to be an empty bird-cage at hand, that was se- | which, at different hights, covered the house, lected as a temporary home for the lively finding her way through the hanuts of cats to little animal, and furnished with a nest of cot- | the spot she had chosen without consulting me. ton and a cup of water, with proper food from | As I could neither catch nor comfortably keep time to time, consisting of fruit, bread or cake, a squirrel like her, who had a family to provide for, I finally proposed to myself to divide But my squirrel was anything but quiet and | the responsibility in the whole matter as evenly contented in its new home, and spent much | as I could, and so I took the largest of the little time in trying to escape from it; and in many ones, still below, in the nest, and put him in the of its efforts within a few days it was so suc- old bird-cage, resolved to save him, at least,

finally it was thought best to let it have its | Then I went out and found the tinsmith. freedom, even at the risk of its going away | who had been for weeks promising me a from the house and, if it escaped the city cats, squirrel cage "Si, manana!" (Yes, to-morrow! from day to day, and told him he need not



of this strategy, the cage was brought to me "manana"-the very next day-and I finally consented to accept it at a lower but sufficient price. In it I put my special charge, and bestowed upon him without any formality the not entirely original name of Dick.

With goat milk, and benauas, and nuts, and tastes of sugar, and tastes of almost everything from my table, Dick grew fast and slept as well as ate. In a short time he got so that the moment he saw me near he flew to the barred window of his cage, or out into the wheel with which it was provided, where he took his exercise, and begged hard to be taken outpushing his nose through the unbarred spaces, reaching out for me with his paws and making grabs at my hand or clothing, and keeping up a peculiar grunting sound.

One tropical day, while I sat trying to write, with the perspiration raining down upon my desk and paper, except when I intercepted it with a great soft sponge instead of a handkerchief, that being cooler and less irritating to my face, I heard all at once a terrible squealing from the back of the patio, where Dick was in his cage. I ran out of my room, fearful that a cat had invaded the house at last, and heard the squeal die into a little moan. In a moment I was at the cage, and there was my bright little pet, lying on his side, scarcely stirring; and when he saw me be just lay still in a faint, after one feeble grunt. There was no cat in sight, but the trouble was soon apparent. The tip hairs of Dick's splendid bushy tail, of which I was proud, if he was not, had been caught by the pivot of the wheel of the cage just as he entered the wheel, and so started its motion; and so, as he sprang from the pull, the wheel kept turning, with a continually increasing twist, until poor Dick's tail was wrung as no squirrel's ever was before,

probably; and the pain had left him senseless. At once I gently removed the wheel and untwisted the involuntary wrapping off the pivot; and then, after restoring the fail to its natural shape as nearly and with as much care as I could, caring which time Dick scarcely moved, I took the poor little fellow to the fountain close at hand and sprinkled him with water. This revived him at last, and after letting him lie in my lap awhile I replaced him in his cage, but took care to fasten the wheel, where he slept away his pain; but it took him some days to fully recover from the effects of that fearful twisting, and out of sympathy I allowed much of the time to be passed in the freedom of the house.

As to the rest of this squirrel family they became re-established in the home in the wall; and although with my revolver i shot through the head that cat which had persisted in sitting on the watch above the bush, other cats came, so that it was only a eat of a different color, but surely a cat, which was to be seen apparently gently dozing in the sunshine, but surely on the watch. And there was a limit to my ability to defend. After I had shot the first prowler a man in uniform and armed with something in a case, at his side, which was longer than a carving-knife and shorter than a sword, had come to my door very promptly, saluted me very politcly, and informed me very courteously of something which I knew by heart before; and that was, that it was not permitted for one to shoot within the city limits. I saw that more shooting would not be wise. It would interfere with protection, perhaps. So I had to let the old squirrel look

out for herself. At length she disappeared and left no trace of herself-perhaps in freedom, possibly by the aid of the feline wail-aronments. Not having seen her for many days, I again got the ladder and paid her home a visit. No one came to the door and all was silent. But there was a trace of the little one, which, without growing 1st N. Y. Vet. Cav., for three years, and was wall; the eats made no more long visits. Both his company until July 30, 1864, when he was Somehow I feit a little sad, and regretted that the mountain charcoal berner had brought me and had come to any loss through my accept-

I had adopted Dick, and I had to take care of him as well as I could. He seemed to like my society so well that I could not free myself om him easily, even when my time was valu-

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the hole in the wall. This bush hung just over able for work rather than for rest or recreathe end of the lower edge, or eaves, of the roof, | tion. He was dependent upon me for his own about six feet below the top of the wall, and amusement and for affection; he had a good for cat or squirrel to miss it in a flying leap | deal of the latter to return, and demanded from the roof or by dropping from the top of | much of the former. No kitten could be more the wall, would be to secure a certain fall of cunning and playful, or show more apprecia-

the squirrel, but was much too frail for puss. Then he knew I got my great reclining-chair Had the little nimble mother thought of all out into the patio before the fountain, edged this? I almost gave her admiring credit for | with callas and other water-plants, and lit my laying a neat trap for her known enemy. What | pipe, to enjoy an hour of the "cool of the evena pretty turn of a life-or-death game it offered! | ing." Dick, being released, would scurry a few But there was another thing to think of be- | times around the patio and through the rooms, sides the happy escape which the squirrel and then take a run of a few feet straight at him and then provoke me to try again, until, becoming tired, he would sprawl out as flat as smooth his head and back down to the tip of his tail, with my hand, while he enjoyed it with sleepy, and felt it time to rest for the night, he would get up, find a pocket inside my coat or paws, and creep in. Then turning around and around, as if trying to wind himself into a ball, the top of the pocket close so as to exclude the light, and relapse into quiet. Often, after such a scene, have I cautiously opened the pocket and peeped carefully in, to see Dick fast asleep. When I was ready to transfer him to a place more suitable for his night's rest he would try to nestle closer down, growl impatiently, and sometimes in his half-sleep strike at my hand quickly with his paw. Putting him at last in his proper nest, and covering him well, although in so hot a climate, he would snuggle down without half awaking, and soon be at whatever there is of squirrel dreams.

One day I missed Dick from the cage and then from the house, and only found him, a little later, when I saw him running toward me, out of doors, from a neighbor's. He came in great fright, ran up my body and seated himself upon my shoulder, and then began such a noise as squirrels make upon trees in the woods when an intruder is near. Just before he came so swifty toward me I had heard a commotion and a scream in my neighbor's house, and I soon learned that Dick had been the cause of it all. He had escaped from home through an open door, gone noiselessly into the other house without observation, and up the stairway to the second story. There in a sleeping-room he found upon the table a sweet tropical fruit entirely to his taste, and sitting down upon the table, had begun to enjoy his meal

when a servant entered. negro women, like many of lighter color, were the pension sought. afraid of my pet, and that he was only specially fond of me. When, therefore, Dick was discovered at his meal, he made some effort to get off by the door, which frightened the entering servant, whose movements and exclamations of surprise in turn frightened him. Attention was thus attracted from below, and another leap to the head of the enemy before him and

teeth when sometimes I tried to take it away and constant acquaintance it was hard for me to lose the society of little Dick.

I lost it in this way: A young American couple came to the port where I lived and foreign city where there were so few Americans, we became acquainted; and the lady fell | may now be withdrawn free .- The rumors in love with little Dick, and wished to take him home with her to New York.

As I had not the time to give him the attention be required, I thought it better for Dick and for me to indulge a natural desire to please the lady, and so Dick and his cage were transferred to her. And it was then that my little friend got into the most surprising mischiefsuch perhaps as no other squirrel in all the world ever got into before or since.

Dick's new friends gave him much liberty in their rooms, because he was so playful, was not mischievous with his teeth, and teased so cunningly to be let out of his cage. One day A Special Agent will look into the matter, when Dick was at liberty there was a bottle of A census taken by the police of New York City Jamaica rum standing upon a table, with its | shows a population of 1,700,000 people, which cork left out after a little of it had been used for bathing the head. All was still in the room, for the heat was oppressive, and Dick's new friends were either dozing or reading. Finally a little noise was heard upon the table, and the lady looked up. There was Dick clear at the top of the bottle, with one arm or fore leg clasped around its neck, dipping the paw of the other into the rum, down the neck of bottle, and then withdrawing his paw and licking it. It did not take many of these experiments to make Mr. Dick giddy, and the lady watched him with curiosity and astonishment until he got down with a half fall from the bottle and staggered away to his cage. There he crawled in, covered himself as well as he could with the cloths of his nest, granting angrily all the time, and went to sleep, the first tipsy squirrel ever known.

I heard from Dick a few weeks later, from New York, where he arrived safely without further unsquirrel-like adventure, and where it is quite probable that some of the readers of this biography may have seen him, or formed his acquaintance.

PRISONERS OF WAR.

Assistant Secretary Bussey Decides that Enlistment in the Rebel Army Does Not Necessarily Pre-

clude the Allowance of a Pension. Last week Assistant Secretary Bussey made an important decision in the case of Russell S. Cole, Co. E. 1st N. Y. Cav., which overrules a decision rendered by Pension Commissioner Black in that class of cases. The records of the War Department show that the claimant enlisted in Co. D, 27th N. Y., in May, 1861, for two years, and served his term faithfully, being constantly present for duty. He was mustered out with his company May 31, 1863, and in the following September re-enlisted in the Co. F. returned to his company from prison June 5, 1865, and was honorably discharged with the a present of a thing which loved its liberty, rest of his regiment. The records of the rebel prison at Andersonville show that he was in the hospital for rheumatism, and on Jan. 23, 1865, was turned over to Col. O'Neill, a rebel recruiting officer. The War Department reports that all penalties for having enlisted in the rebel army are removed, but he was denied commutation of rations while a prisoner.

Cole set forth in his claim that he was stripped of nearly all his clothing at the time of his capture, and turned into Andersonville, where be suffered intensely, and was reduced to nearly the last extremity. In this predicament he took the oath of allegiance to the Southern Confederacy, solely for the purpose of saving his life and to enable him to escape to the Union lines, which he did within two weeks of the time he got out of prison. He reached our lines at Charleston, was sent from there to Hilton Head, and thence to Governor's | a hospital. He did this for the purpose of cre-Island, whence he was forwarded to his regiment. He asserts his ability to furnish proof that during his service in both regiments he was constantly with his company and per-

formed his duty faithfully. He made application for pension on account of disability, but Gen. Black rejected it on the ground that he had "voluntarily engaged in or aided or abetted the late rebellion against the authority of the United States," which brought him under the prohibitions of Section 4716, Revised Statutes. In a similar case Gen. Black ruled as follows:

Claimant, while a prisoner of war, enlisted in the rebel service. To the proposition that such enlistment was not a voluntary act, the Commissioner declined to yield assent, and held that, while the claimant's enlistment in the service for the purpose of furnishing him as early opportunity to escape to the Federal lines practically illustrated his shrewdness, it certainly did not avouch his patriotism. A soldier is called upon to face death in many forms: to be shot on the field of battle, to be starved in esptivity, and in other ways to exhibit his willingness to sacrifice his life for his country. There is no | Hampshire Dist rict Republicans renominated

justification, however, for his enlistment under the congressman William O. Arnold for Member of the 52d Congress — Gen John H Katcham give him aid and comfort. If it were allowable for a captured soldier to join the enemy for the purpose of escaping the privations and hardships of prison life, the principle would be established that a prisoner of war would become simply a recruit for the enemy. In law, a man's intentions and motives are to judged by his overt acts. Such being the case, and in view of the provisions of the statute, it must be held that the soldier did render voluntary aid and comfort to the late rebellion against the authority of the United States. Gen. Bussey attacks this ruling upon strictly

of the Interior, and of Judge-Advocate-General Holt. He concludes as follows: The records in the case show that the claimant was a veteran soldier, whose re-enlistment in the Union army, after a gallant service of two years, was dated Sept. 18, 1863. He was captured in bat tle July 30, 1864. He was conveyed to a rebel military prison and kept in distressing confinement at Andersonville, Ga., a number of months. Finally, on Jan. 23, 1865, * * * he accepted the alternative of enlistment in the rebel service, with a view to escape from the enemy, rather than continue in the walls of Anderson ville Prison. In fact, his colist-

legal grounds, and in an exhaustive argument

onment to which he had been subjected, and should Can such an enlistment by a veteran soldier under such circumstances be properly regarded as voluntary? Was it not, in fact, repulsive? And was it other than a device whereby the soldier sought to return to the Federal lines, rejoin the company of his old comrades, and again enjoy the protection of the flag for which he had fought and imperiled his life during four years of arduous as he really was, he would reach up a paw, draw service? He swears that the said enlistment was just such a device, and proof of the statement is found in the fact that he did return to the Federal lines; that, having effected his escape as soon as practicable, he came under the care of the Federal authorities, and was returned by them to his company at Camp Pratt, W. Va., June 5, 1865; that he was received by his commanding officers and by his comrades as a worthy associate, and that he was honorably discharged from the Federal service

with his company, July 20, 1865. This record is a complete vindication of the soldier's motive, loyalty and honor. A descrier, as such, cannot be discharged from the service, but must be held for trial and punishment. It does not appear, however, that the soldier whose appeal is under consideration was ever subjected to trial nor to the slightest penalty. * * * Surely, an bonorable discharge was equivalent to an honorable acquittal, without trial. His account of his escape from the enemy was believed then by his comrades; it was, as shown by the record, accepted as true by the War Department, and it is no part of the duty of this Department at this late period to try and convict him upon an allegation which was neither preferred against him nor contemplated at the time when he returned from captivity to the shelter of his country's standard. * * * Apart from the fact that the Department, in the administration of the pension system-which is in no sense a penal system-has no authority either to prescribe or to enforce penalties for alleged offenses against the articles of war, I hold that it must be cantrolled in all cases coming before it for adjudication by the fundamental rule that the rights of the soldier and the citizen, alike, can never be taken away nor forfeited except by the express terms of the law, the actual and obvious meaning of which should be taken without resort to a subtle and forced construction. I respectfully over-It may be stated that the servants, usually rule the former decision of your office, and grant

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

GENERAL. pointed Minister to Spain, took the oath of kitchen of the Arch-Duke Si servant appeared at the foot of the stairway ton, N. J., on Thursday, Oct. 9 .-- A Convenjust as Dick was scampering down. As there | tion of Catholic young men was held in Washwas an enemy behind and before, but an open | ington last week, which was addressed by door beyond the latter, Dick made a flying | Cardinal Gibbons. -- The Governor of Alaska Territory reports that 100,000 seal-skins were thence to the floor, giving a scratch through | taken by the authorized company during the the kinky hair as well as a shock of surprise on | year, while half as many more were captured the way, which accounted for the scream I at sea or stolen by poaching vessels .-- The heard, and only gave voice to his own aston- members of the Iron and Steel Institute of ishment when he was safely upon my shoulder. | Great Britain and the German iron and steel The incidents of this visit caused much | men visited several cities in Pennsylvania last week. They remained several days in Pitts-After a few months, during which I gave | burg .- The Committee on Classification of every night a half hour to my pet, and during | the World's Fair Commission at Chicago has which, also, he often sought and generally adopted a system which will require the erecfound a filbert or an English walnut in my tion of 12 separate buildings, plans for which pocket, which he would cling to with paws and | will be made at once. - The postal authorities seized the entire weekly adition of the Atlanta from him, growling and striking at times with | Constitution for violation of postal laws profirst one paw and then the other-after so long | hibiting the sending of lottery advertisements through the mails .- The Secretary of the Treasury offers to redeem until further notice, with interest to Aug. 31, '91, all 42 per cent. bonds presented .- The Treasury Department has stayed about two weeks. Very naturally, in a | decided that goods free under the present law and warehoused under the previous tariff law, that an extra session of Congress will be called by the President to consider the reapportionment and Federal election bill are positively denied by Private Secretary Halford,

-A committee of colored men waited on the Governor of Virginia and asked him to order the Richmond Howitzers, a crack white military organization, to give them a salute during the Emancipation celebration at Richmond. The Governor is in a quandary .- The pension authorities have discovered that although William Richtor has been insane for 12 months, his pension has been drawn regularly. exceeds the count made by the Census Bureau by over 186,000 .- The Union League Club of Jersey City, N. J., gave a reception to William

Walter Phelps, United States Minister to Berlin, on Saturday evening. CRIMES AND CASUALTIES. In the trial of Arthur Day, at Welland, Ont., for wife murder, the prisoner's sister testified that her brother had told her that he had pushed his wife over the cliffs at Niagara Falls. -Three of the Captains of the 22d N. Y. several years .- Thomas Woolfolk, who was ascend that river. twice convicted of the murder of 10 members of his father's family, in Bibb County, Ga., was sentenced to be hanged Oct, 29. - A mysterious criminal, known as "Jack the Haircutter" has cut the hair from the heads of four Detroit (Mich.) girls within a month. - Capt, Strebbs, a sharpshooter, shot and killed a man while displaying his skill near Denver, Colo., and is now in jail. - Two mail pouches were stolen in Louisville, Ky., and it is thought that over \$10,000 was taken from registered packages. - Wm. Sprague, jr., grandson of Salmonth P. Chase, and only son of ex-Gov. Sprague, of Rhode Island, died from an overdose of chloroform in Seattle, Wash., where he was employed as an artist on a newspaper. The Mayor of Rochester, N. Y., ordered the police to seize all objectionable theatrical posters in that city. ---Mary Rautzan, daughter of Mrs. Mettman, for whose murder C. A. Benson was arrested in Camden, N. J., made a confession in which she says she and Benson planued the murder in order to get Mrs. Mettman's money. - The seven-year-old son of Albert Henckle, a stock farmer of Nicholas County, W. Va., killed his sister, aged 5, because she threatened to tell tales on him. - Mary and Eliza McConnigle, much, had died. The bush grew on in the made a Corporal. He served faithfully with girls aged 12 and 14, respectively, daughters of James McConnigle, living near Cumberland, Ont., were found assaulted and murdered. man named Larocque is under arrest suspected of the crime. - James M. Wilson, a noted lifeinsurance swindler, has been lodged in the Prescott (Arizona) jail .- James M. Doherty, the insane lover of Mary Ander on Navarro, the actress, shot and killed Dr. Lloyd, Assistant Superintendent of the Insane Asylum at Flatbush, N. Y .- The body of Rube Burrows, the outlaw, who was recently killed in Alabama, was turned over to his father. --- Francis Lingo, a negro, was indicted by the Grand Jury at Camden, N. J., for the murder of Mrs. Annie Miller .- The Grand Jury of Pulaski County, Ark., was instructed by the Circuit Judge to iuquire into the matter and bring in an indictment against Capt. Coffee, or Chicago, for sending a challenge to fight a duel to Horace Allis, of Little Rock .- William Pryor, a young man of Brooklyn, N. Y., tarred and feathered himself and lay down in the public street, where he was found and taken to

ating a sensation, and succeeded admirably.--John Rhoads, a Delaware farmer, was swindled out of \$1,500 by three rogues, who, in bargaining for his farm, got him to put up the money. -In a quarrel over politics in a New Orleans (La.) saloon four men were fatally shot. -George Foster, the City Collector of Tucson, Ariz., is missing, and a large shortage has been discovered in his accounts .---- Mrs. Samuel Atwater, of Ithaca, N. Y., was mistaken for a burglar by her son-in-law and shot dead,—

The Salt Lake express train was wrecked on a The Salt Lake express train was wrecked on a sharp curve three miles east of Sargent, on Marshall Pass, and one man was killed and sevand desperado, was hanged on Friday at Lumberton, N. C., for the murder of three women near that place several words. near that place several months ago.

POLITICAL. Capt. G. W. Skinner was nominated for Congress by the Democrats of the Eighteenth District of Pennsylvania. -- The Second New

the 52d Congress, -- Gen. John H. Ketcham was renominated for Congress by acclamation by the Republicans of the Sixteenth District of New York .- The Republicans of the Twentyfifth New York District renominated Congressman J. J. Belden by acclamation. -- The Democrats of the Thirty-second District of New York unanimously nominated Hon. Daniel Lockwood for Congress. -- Hon, Fred S. Coolidge was nominated for Congress by the Democrats of the Eleventh Massachusetts District .-- The Republicans of the Fifteenth Discontroverts its conclusions. He shows that it | trict of New York nominated Clarence F. was contrary to rulings of previous Secretaries | Lexow for Congress .- Dr. John W. Lawson was nominated for Congress by the Farmers' Alliance of the Seventh District of Virginia. He is a Democrat. - The Republicans of the Fourteenth District of New York nominated John V. Cockroft for Congress. -- Hon. James Hill (colored), who has a contest for a seat in the 51st Congress unsettled, was nominated for the 52d Congress by the Republicans of the Third District of Mississippi. - Michael J. Shea was nominated for Congress by the Democrats of the Thirty-first New York District. -The Democrats of the Thirty-third District of New York nominated Thomas L. Bunting for Congress, --- Congressman McKinley opened his canvass in the Sixteenth Ohio District by making a speech at Millersburg, the Democratic stronghold of the District, on Thursday, Oct. 9 .- Col. D. W. C. Loudon, of Brown County, O., a veteran of two wars, and the brave commander of the 70th Ohio during the war of the rebellion, was nominated for Congress by the Republicans of the Eleventh Ohio District, --- Secretary Blaine is said to have promised to make two speeches in Ohio during the present campaign. They will both be made in Maj. McKinley's District. -- It is thought that the nomination of G. W. Shell, a Tilmanite Democrat, for Congress in Fourth South Carolina District, will insure the election of Dr. Enser, the Republican nominee .--The party calling themselves Straightout Democrats of South Carolina nominated A. C. Haskell for Governor, W. D. Johnson for Lieutenant-Governor, Edwin Harper for Secretary of State, Edmund Bacon for Comptroller General, W. A. Anerum for Treasurer, E. Bragsdall for Superintendent of Education, and R. N. Richburg for Adjutant and Inspector-General, --- The Fourth Ohio District Republicans nominated Col. W. P. Orr for Congress .- The Democrats of the Second Connecticut District nominated W. F. Willcox for Congress. - The Republicans of the Eighth Tennessee District nominated George T. McCall for Congress .- Henry W. Bent was nominated by the Democrats of the Twenty-third New York District. -- Hugh J. Grant was renominated for Mayor of New York City by the Tammany faction of the Democratic party, while Francis M. Scott heads the fusion ticket, which will be supported by the Republicans and County Democrats. - Dr. Mary Walker was nominated for Congress by the Twenty-seventh New York District by an Independent party, the Convention being composed almost entirely of women. The Secretary of State refuses to recognize the nomination, and will not have tickets printed under the new election law of New York, with the Doc-

tor's name on them. FOREIGN. Gen. E. Burd Grubb, who was recently ap-Gmunden, was arrested for putting arsenic in the food, thus causing the illness of the Arch-Duke and his suite. Lederer's object was to procure the discharge of a cook. --- England has lemanded of Portugal an immediate settlement of her claim for indemnity for the seizure of the British-African Lakes Company's steamer James Stevenson, which was captured by Lieut. Continho a few months ago .- Mrs. Maud Yates, wife of the son of Edmund Yates, editor of the London World, was committed for trial in London on a charge of forgery .--- A young man named Jonasson, of New York, was acquitted in Berlin, Germany, of a charge made by three drunken students, that he had said I sneeze at your Emperor." Had he been convicted, the penalty would have been 10 years in prison, with a fine. - Dr. Roberto acassa was re-elected President of Nicarangua by an overwhelming majority,---Baron Ellenborough died recently in London .--The police who assaulted the Nationalists at the opening of the trials of Dillon and O'Brlen were arraigned in court at Tipperary. - Mr. Parnell has been forbidden by his physicians to take part in outdoor meetings .- Several people were wounded during a conflict between a party of artillerymen and Socialists in Sprattan, Prussian Silesia. - The Italian Committee appointed to arrange for a proper exhibit of Italian art and industry at the Chicago World's Fair, have dissolved, as few Italians are willing to send exhibits to Chicago, owing to the new tariff law .- M'lle Jeannine Dumas, daughter of the celebrated author, was recently married in Paris, France, to Viscount de Hautville. - The Emperor of Germany has returned to Berlin from his visit to Austria. Two men-of-war have reinforced the British squadron at Mozambique. — A dispatch from the Congo State to Brussels says that the authorities intend to issue a decree imposing new taxes, principally on merchandize, between Matadi and Stanley Pool. -The Catholic Congress in Saragossa, Spain, has passed a resolution favoring the formation of Catholic Workmen's Societies. - Five persons were killed and 40 wounded by the explosion in the Pyrotechnic School at Bourges, France. The disaster was caused by the carelessness of a workman who was filling a shell with melinite. - A measure will be submitted to the next German Reichstag to control emigration so as to prevent the loss of males available for military service. - It is Militia baving refused to resign at the request of | reported that the Portuguese gunboats on the Gov. Hill, the Governor new proposes to disband | Zambesi River, East Africa, will bar the passage the regiment, which has been in trouble for | of the British gunboats should they attempt to

True to his Profession. If there be a man that is absolutely true to his professional faith it is the swamp doctor, says the Pittsburg Dispatch. To him there is no such thing as advancement in the science of medicine. "Doctorin' folks is doctorin' folks," and that's all there is about it. He selected his model from the old class of practitioners, now happily extinct in more civilized communities, known as the bleeders. To one of those old fellows the letting out of blood was

the letting in of life. Some time ago a man while working at a saw nill had one of his arms torn off. The only ohysician near at hand was an old swamp doctor, who, as a last chance, was sent for. When he arrived the unfortunate man was rapidly bleeding to death. The doctor whipped out

"What are you going do?" the owner of the mill asked. "Going to bleed him."

"Bleed him, the deuce. Don't you see that he's nearly bled to death now?" "Oh, I can't help that. My professional honor is at stake, and I must bleed him." "But he can't stand it. The thing to do is to stop his bleeding." Well, I'll stop the bleeding of the torn arm, but I'll let the blood out of the well one."

" You shall not."

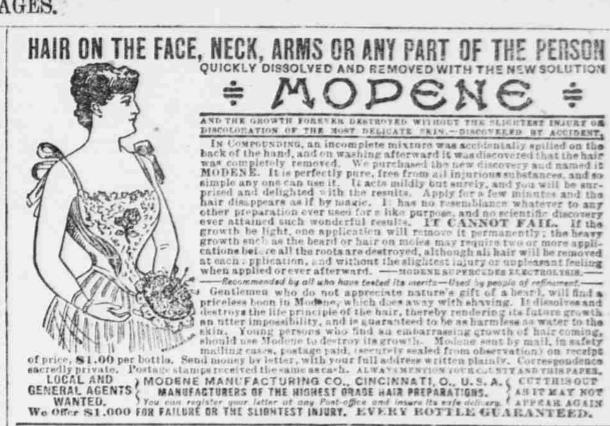
"All right, then; I'll not have anything to do with the case. If medicine can't go its way in this community without being trod on, w'y, "I stand aside." It Would be a Loss of Time.

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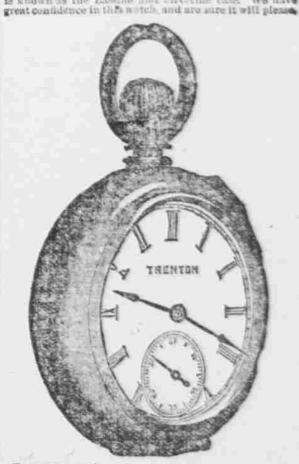
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